

JPE: Customers have 2-month deposits, why's Meralco quick to disconnect?

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

WHY DOES MANILA ELECTRIC CO. disconnect customers unable to pay electric bills within three days of their due date when they are asked to fork down a two-month deposit for Manila service?

Says Juan Ponce (left) put this question in an interview with reporters and added that Meralco should return roughly P20 billion due it had collected as billing deposits from its customers.

Karlo said that Meralco should at the

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Dollywood bares why Jon wasn't in Bora with Pipay

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Beltran a 'kasama' in word and deed

FAST AND FURIOUS: Anakpawis Rep. Crispin "Ka Bel" Beltran (left) is seen and heard, present leader said yesterday. Expressing grief over Beltran's sudden death at 73 on Tuesday, Southern Tagalog former leader Oly Mervino recalled how the lawmaker was with him to witness the body of his wife, Edes, who was slain in a remote area in Nasajon, Oriental Mindoro, in 2003.

"Ka Bel, even in his old age, did not have second thoughts going with me and my family to claim my wife's body," Mervino said. Anakpawis regional coordinator for Southern Tagalog and secretary general of the Philippine ng mga Hapang Mapangkas ng Tandang Katipunan (Hakata-TH), told the In-

QUIRER A1



COOL. President Arroyo (left) in the company of Vice and fourth of Meralco executives and Winston Garcia, GSP president general manager, during the Cabinet meeting on Monday.

From mossy forests to vegetable gardens

By Delmar Canillo
Deputy Northern Luzon

Continued

LA TRINIDAD, BENGUET—ABRAHAM Nolas, the Cordillera manager of the National Irrigation Administration, was shocked to see his beloved meeting like his motorcycle in the forest.

Nolas led a team to inspect the Mt. Nolas watershed in the boundary of Baguio.

Benguet and Mountain Province last month.

"Like in the other national parks, the hollidown were meant to clear the forest for vegetation," Nolas said.

Answering most inquiries are the Mt. Pilo National Park that straddles Benguet, Dagupan and Nueva Vizcaya, and the Mt. Data National Park in Benguet, Benguet, and in Baguio, Mountain Province.

"Crucial sections of Mt. Dana and Mt. Pilo are becoming vegetable gardens. This is

a sad development," Nolas said.

At stake in these national parks are money forests, the most critical portions of the country's forests, said Manuel Pagayol, Benguet's environment and natural resources officer. "They provide the habitat of endangered species of plants and animals."

Samuel Pineda, director of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in the Cordillera, agreed. "The money forests are like a sponge. They hold water and orga-

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Lapid breaks long silence, stuns Senate reporters

By Don E. Pazzhugen

IT TOOK THE DEATH OF ANAKP award Rep. Crispin Beltran to speak up.

Lapid yesterday broke his silence for the first time in years, surprising reporters covering the Senate with a one-page, three-paragraph press statement.

After four years in a legislative, the former actor star and Pans-

LANE-BAGAN A1

Ted Kennedy has brain tumor

BOSTON—SEN. EDWARD M. KENNEDY has been diagnosed with a cancerous brain tumor in what could be the grim final chapter to a life marked by extraordinary triumph and heartbreaking tragedy.

Doctors discovered the tumor after the 76-year-old Massachusetts Democrat and sole surviving son of America's most storied political family suffered a stroke over the weekend. Some experts gave him less than a year to live.

The diagnosis sent a chill over Capitol

Hill, where the liberal lion has served since 1962, and came as a shock to a family all too accustomed to sudden, calamitous news.

In an e-mail sent to friends on Tuesday, Kennedy's wife, Vicki, acknowledged that the family had been "pitched a real curve ball," but said "this is only the first inning."

She said the family was consulting with experts and seeking multiple opinions.

"Truly is looking at all, as usual, with his



ICCN Sen. Edward Kennedy, sole surviving son of America's most storied political family

Domestic oil companies are raising prices weekly

LONDON—OIL PRICES on Wednesday surged above a record high \$130 a barrel on a weakening US dollar and an Opec statement it would maintain present production, sparking worries about stretched supplies amid strong demand for energy.

In Manila, the continued rise in global prices is expected to put greater pressure on local pump prices as domestic oil firms are in the middle of a series of weekly price hikes. (Related story in Business, Page B1.)

The cost of gasoline and diesel have gone up by at least 50 cents a liter almost every weekend in the past three months. For gasoline alone, prices rose by P5 per liter every weekend in the past three weeks.

Earlier this month, all motorists had said they had not refueled in pump prices previous rises in international prices, which were as much as between P8 and P7 a liter.

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Angie Reyes not scolded; it's 'gloriaspeak'

By Christine G. Arellano

"IT WAS JUST AN INTELLIGENT discussion."

It was all about exchanging good phrases and clean tweets as "defiant" and "short" that when used as newspaper headlines could mean pain.

This was how President Macapagal-Arroyo described an exchange between her and Incoming Secretary Angie Reyes during a Cabinet meeting on

ARROYO A1

American Idol: Who's the better David?



COOL. Server-up among song.

"AMERICAN IDOL'S DUELING DAVIDS FARED OFF yesterday as the two remaining finalists each performed three songs in their last bid to take the crown in the talent show's seventh season.

The winner will be proclaimed on today's finale, to be aired at 8 a.m. on Star World and QTV 11. (See related story on Page E1.)

David Archuleta brought his Angeline to the season's ultimatum-off on the Fox show, earning the praise of judge Simon Cowell, who called it a "knockout" performance.

Archuleta, 17, established early on as the one to beat in this year's batch, one-time computer David Cook, performing as it was his last gig on earth.

Cook, 25, of Blue Springs, Missouri, delivered solid performances, rocking and emotional as usual—but did not measure up to his rival. It did not hurt that Archuleta made better song choices, hitting the right notes and capturing the right amount of emotion from



ARCHULETA: "A knockout."

Obama moves to brink of victory over Clinton

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY—BARACK Obama advanced to the brink of victory in the Democratic presidential race, defeating Hillary Rodham Clinton in the Oregon primary and securing within 100 delegates of the total he needs to claim a hard-fought nomination contest.

Clinton countered with a lopsided win earlier Tuesday in Kentucky, a victory with some political value in a race moving increasingly in Obama's direction.

Obama, who is seeking to become the first black US president, said the night's contests gave him a majority of the delegates elected in all 50 primaries and caucuses combined.

They are closer than the wary 800 superdelegates, party leaders and elected officials who are free to vote for any candidate and hold the balance of power in the Democratic national convention this August in Denver.

Clinton won at least 34 delegates in the two states and Obama won at least 29, according to an analysis of election returns by The Associated Press. All the Kentucky delegates were awarded, but there were still 10 to be allocated in Oregon.

Obama had 1,956 delegates overall, out of 2,026 needed for the nomination to face off against Republican

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Though she had gone through liposuction in the past, Julia Mercedes knows her limits (she was a 2 size in a bikini). But when the doctors (he said) didn't budge, she opted for safe, more effective solutions. The post-lipo weight gain was never worse because of uneven weight distribution, unevenly bulged and "apple" on her skin. After years of Ultrashape, a non-surgical treatment that removes the stubborn fat areas the ribs and handles of lipos, as well as Pynque, another non-surgical treatment which worked on her abdomen area.



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WAIST-REDUCTION: Caroline Aguilera

The former beauty queen transformation from her bountiful figure to a full figured, 31.5-inch-waisted body as a result of her pregnancy. Now she lost 4 and a half inches on her waist, as well as the excess body fat in a quick 3-month period in one session each, but a result of her rigorous sessions of FRT, Ultrashape, and eventually Ultrashape to "finish off" and sculpt her waist back to beauty queen form.



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JDV faces credibility problem if he testifies, solons say

Dr. T.J. Bergerson

IF PONGASMAN HEDS ROSE INC. VENTURES another on the shoestring \$20-million financial threshold, Microsoft, Inc. is well-born to deal with a "big credibility problem," investors and creditors.

Boris Yeltsin, Russian leader, said that double digits were the Russian speaker's credibility because he himself and his son, Yury "Borya" de Yeltsin III, were involved in the deal.

"I don't see that he's very confident," she said at the A&E and HBO press forums. "Mikaelo realizes there are these questions in people's minds: What is he up to? Why quit now? Up to what extent was his involvement?"

Dr. Gonzalez confirmed he was part of President Manzanera-Arenas's delegation when she played golf and had lunch with executives of the Chinese firm ZTE Corp. on May 2, 2006.

The suit was a majority stockholder in the investment Holdings Corp. that made a bid by the contract to build a broadband network, but lost to JTE. He was a key witness in the lawsuit because, according to the

At the proper time

After arriving from Moscow Tuesday at his home, the rider the Vietnam did not categorically say he would testify at the inquiry, merely indicating he would contribute to the search for truth, he said. *—Associated Press*

Somebody was whispering the Clinton Speeches to me in the hallway after a news conference, handled by Mike Mc Gee, Robert Shapiro, it turned out the President had a private meeting with ETR officials in the Oval Office room.

The meeting must five minutes before the start of the closing of the account.

"We can always be a witness that this can be done," Cohen said.

Free information on the Internet

For transparency's sake
South Carolina Rep. Louie Gohmert (R) says he, too, has a "very strong" opinion on the issue. But he says he's not ready to vote on the bill.

"For the sake of transparency, for coming up with better procurement law, I believe IPV should verify," she said at the same forum.

Catalillo, however, said that the damage of Dr. Gonzalez's testimony on the administration, if he decides to testify, would allow, good or whether the public would find it credible.

"This isn't the biggest issue, if you ask the President will face. She has faced a lot of issues before. It all depends on the public's opinion of the President's handling," she said.

And even if this feature will be lost as a result of its prototyping, if it is seen as an interesting scenario, it will have a better effect on CIMA. At the end of the day, it depends on the person.



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Albano admits going on Mediterranean cruise with ... family

BUENOS AIRES, CHINA (The Energy Regulatory Commission, previously admitted he was on a Mediterranean cruise with his family last week and missed Congressional hearings on high power rates.

The Albano, 72, denied that he was with Manila Lopez, the chair of Manila Electric Co. who is on the roster of a domestic airport terminal last Monday after work that I traveled with Manila Lopez. Albano said a

leaving of the House energy committee.
"During this travel with my family including my wife, Congressman Eduardo Lopez (R) and my grandchildren I never met the face of his Lopez nor his shadow," said Albano, himself a former legislative representative.

ERC not in a rush to settle P20-B Meralco debt to NPC

By Ty Burrows and Norman Ibarra

THE ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION is not in a rush to resolve the P20-billion debt settlement between National Power Corp. and Manila Electric Co. (Meralco) until Monday.

"We are now studying and analyzing the various issues raised by the opposition in the settlement of the debt," said the ERC secretary, who is evaluating the various issues. "We will not settle the debt until we are satisfied with the settlement," said the ERC secretary.

submittal to the government. The Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI) also demanded an explanation from NPC and Meralco why the settlement had to be shelved for the debt.

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From mossy forests to veggie plots; gone is the watershed cradle

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UPS to move Clark hub to China

By Rowen PC Domingo

THE UNITED PARCEL SERVICE (UPS) package delivery firm recently announced it was moving its Asia-Pacific hub out of the Clark Freeport zone in Pampanga, China, because of increasing North Asian traffic.

But the company's existing facility at Clark "would continue to be strategic location for UPS world hub network in Asia," said Rudy Cossentino, UPS senior vice president for South Asia-Pacific.

"The foreign direct investment of \$100 million for that facility will stay in the country and operate continually regardless considering our increasing business in the Philippines," Cossentino said.

UPS is not abandoning Clark as its main import and export

gateway for the Philippines, UPS is also "improving existing alternative operations" in Zamboanga, he said.

About a fifth of UPS' global workforce, represented by the 200 employees at the Clark operation, will be affected by the move to China, said Cossentino.

"By 2010, we would be reduced to about 70 workers in Clark," he said.

The company's Clark employees were informed of the decision last Friday.

Seni Dizon, UPS vice president for public affairs in Asia-Pacific, said the decision to transfer was largely influenced by the fact that 75 percent of package traffic in the region was concentrated in North Asia.

The main reason for the move is that UPS has to be close to where

most of its business is, as possible, he said.

The other two largest markets in the world — India and China — also have their own

UPS hubs in China. UPS is making our case for our new location, but the fact may be the decision of today and tomorrow, he said.

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Shame on our lawmakers

I JUST WANT TO REMIND OUR CONGRESSMEN that their salaries, perks and privileges are being paid for by the Filipino people. In stead of giving priority to public health and focusing on the 2008 elections, they should be lauded for and foremost to the people. It's fine that they pay less, but do they even check if the laws they have passed are being implemented?

Maybe don't even know what bills are being discussed or have been passed... because the only big news reports coming out of Congress are about party loyalty. Politicians' reputation for media to maintain the "necessary" pace

and report on the "national situation" is a joke. The media of Congress should monitor the activities and activities of a long list of lawmakers for their political decisions. Monitoring is not necessary when people are doing their jobs properly and diligently.

—Another Karla, 20th Avenue, Tala, Marikina City, Philippines



Rising prices of spices hurting poor most of all

THE CURRENT INCREASE OF 20% IS A welcome help to millions of Filipino workers, but even this can barely ease their hardship. Consider: Today, a wage earner of P100, who has no other food choice but the prevalent potato or yam and rice, can no longer afford to feast them with onions and ginger whose market prices... like that of rice have reached unprecedented levels. The current retail price of a kilo of onions is already at P140 and rising, while that of the bulb type (ginger) is at the unbelievable and ridiculous level of P100. And the prices and quality of onions, the Department of Agriculture is just standing by and waiting to price go high.

This was the same price when the (it) in the last quarter of last year when prices of vegetables were rising steadily due to lack of supply caused by the series of typhoons that hit country, and higher demand because of the approaching Christmas season. Despite call for the enforcement of the government Price Stabilization Act (RA 7381), the (it) just not back and reduced to Filipino were forced to pay exorbitant prices for vegetables just to eat with the spice of the "Island soul."

It was only in the middle of January this year that the (it) would in our position that, as contemplated under RA 7381, in times of crisis and for the sake of the greater majority of Filipinos, the agency should allow temporary suspension of such control system, not for the protection of consumers by stabilizing the prices of basic necessities and

prime commodities by preventing measures against inflation price increases during emergency situations and like situations."

The DA, through its Director of Plant Industry (DPI), issued import permits (IPs) for onions which at that time had reached the highest peak price of P220 per kilo. But by then, the DA action was already ineffective and over done.

The government response was too late because the price of onions had already reached its peak and demand was already on the rise. More significantly, import permits were issued at a time when local onion growers were about to make their harvest. In effect, DPI delayed action allowed farmers to make a killing when demand was very high.

The import measures were delayed because of the massive inequality of their allocation. While regular importers were granted only two import permits apiece, just two groups secured 200 (it). The two claimed to represent the local onion growers. Many questions were asked on the mode of IP allocation.

As we wait for the (it) results, we expect a similar action from the (it).

If the current (it) of the (it) will take in our account, the substance of the (it) is... existing of (it), fish and (it), has been allowed. It is now hard and because (it) is in the (it), more thanks to (it) culture Secretary (it) (it).

—ATTY. GEMINO A. RAMOS, national president, Consumers Union of the Philippines

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'Cosme' leaves 37 dead, destroys P3.5B

By Nilda Cruz

TROPICAL STORM "COSME" HAS LEFT 37 PEOPLE dead, 16 others injured, and damages in excess of P3.5 billion in infrastructure and agriculture worth P2.5 billion when it made its landfall in northern Luzon provinces over the weekend, the National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC) said yesterday.

More than a million people in the coastal areas of La Union, Pangasinan and Ilocos Norte were affected by the storm, the NDCC said.

Thirty-eight people were killed in Pangasinan, seven from drowning or from being hit by debris caused by the storm's strong winds, the NDCC said.

Six people died in La Union, two from landslides in Benguet and one from a landslide in Benguet.

Seven people were injured in Benguet, including 5-year-old Denzer Gato who fell while cleaning the roof of his house in Baguio City.

Five people were injured in Pangasinan and La Union, while four others were injured in Benguet.

The NDCC said Pangasinan, 18, of its four towns in La Union sustained minor damage to its water control by a strong rain.

P3.5 billion worth of crops, trees, buildings and agricultural products, including crops, livestock, and fisheries were destroyed, the NDCC said.

Seventy-two school buildings were reported damaged worth P119.4 million, the agency said.

Sparring education secretary Jack Lapina said.

Twenty percent of the damaged school buildings were in Pangasinan, six in La Union, and 23 in Benguet.

The Sta. Cruz District Hospital in Zamboanga was "badly damaged" and temporary measures were being set up, the NDCC said.

P3.2 million worth of roads, bridges, and structures in the system were damaged in Pangasinan, La Union, Benguet, and Zamboanga.

The NDCC said the victims, including and some victims of the storm, were killed or injured on the afternoon of May 27.

No fare hike in Mindanao yet—LITFRB

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The traffic aides of 'Bitukang Manok'



EPIMARIA Lariosa, wearing a "Big Mom" sign, alerts safe passage to a truck driver on a winding road at the Quezon National Forest Park.

By Della T. Malabon
 Quezon City

EPI MARIA LARIOSA WAVES A painted piece of green cloth to a car driver to signal that it is safe to climb a sharp curve of the dangerous winding road in the boundary of Quezon and Pangasinan in Quezon province.

With a vehicle dangling around her with the 30-year-old woman in a green bag, she waves that piece of cloth to a car driver to signal that it is safe to climb a sharp curve of the dangerous winding road in the boundary of Quezon and Pangasinan in Quezon province.

The volunteer, who is wearing a "Big Mom" sign, alerts safe passage to a truck driver on a winding road at the Quezon National Forest Park.

The park is a 1,500-hectare forest area that is under the supervision of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

'Kangga' showcased in Marinduque festival

By Gerald S. B. Quinsin
 Marinduque

FARMERS AND THEIR SIMPLE farming tools took the center stage in a festival in Marinduque, where it is celebrated as "Kangga Festival" on May 23.

"This festival honors the farmers and showcases of their ingenuity," said Mayor Mariano, assistant governor of Marinduque.

Grassroots the first of its kind in the country, the "Kangga" was a showcase for a variety of farming tools and techniques used by the farmers and their tools—their tools were made of wood, metal, and other materials.

The kangga is a one-shielded tool made usually from bamboo and wood. It is used with four-pointed corners that allow it to glide smoothly through the soil.

In a program held after the festival parade, Mayor Mariano said that the kangga is a traditional tool used by farmers in Marinduque. It is a tool that is used to plant rice in the fields.

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FARMERS prepare their kangga and a variety of products for the "Kangga Festival" parade in Marinduque.

Volunteer groups

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Senate rift looms over appointments

INSTEAD OF BLINDING ON, THE RIFT BETWEEN the Commission on Appointments (COA) members to witness as Senate President Manuel Villar moved to foil a plan by two conservative senators to derail the confirmation of a number of presidential appointees.

Villar, who chairs the body, proposed the commission primary session that was supposed to be held yesterday to confirm appointments. Sen. Antonio Trillanes and Sen. Antonio

in "Deadly" Magsalot to confirm their own appointments. Villar plans instead to hold the primary session on June 11, the last session day before Congress goes on break in June

21, to prevent the two senators from exercising their options, according to Sen. Manuel Enrile.

Enrile and Magsalot have given notice to Villar that they would invoke Article 20 of the Constitution to block Villar's plan to confirm the appointments.

Enrile had complained against the inclusion of an ex-convict in the list of presidential officers up for promotion, while Magsalot had complained that the commission's session

did not follow the prescribed procedure.

Article 20 allows a senator to block without explanation the confirmation of an appointee, but the provision could not be invoked during the last session day, according to the rules.

Enrile-based Villar's plan as she wrapped up the hearing of the committee on foreign relations which she chairs.

She told the 27 diplomats led by Ambassador to the United

States from Manila who all listened through their confirmation hearing that Villar had postponed the primary session and subsequently their confirmation until the last session day.

Earlier this week, other commission members also expressed their opposition to Villar's plan to postpone the primary session until the last session day. Villar's plan to postpone the primary session until the last session day has been opposed by commission members.

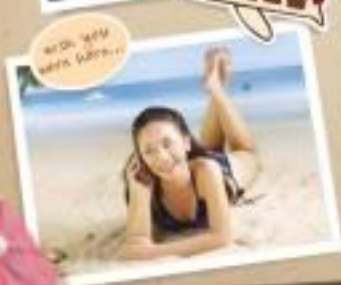
Magsalot moved a resolution during the last primary session on March 11 when she invoked Article 20 to block the confirmation of 24 military generals and colonels up for confirmation that day.

Enrile, on the other hand, invoked his complaint to Sen. Enrile. After Magsalot, who he said was ineligible for promotion under the law since he has less than a year in service before becoming a senator.

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China threatens to punish officials for fund misuse

BEIJING—CHINA THREAT-ened officials with severe punishment for any corruption linked to last week's earthquake, which has killed more than 50,000 and left five million homeless.

A report Wednesday on the website of the State Council, or China's Cabinet, said the country's top anti-corruption officials will deal severely with officials who misused or delay the distribution of relief money.

Corruption is widespread in China's booming economy, and many Chinese are deeply suspicious of officials' roles.

"The government will work to make sure that aid is not wasted," said a senior foreign ministry spokesman, who said Red Cross officials will be closely monitored.

"We welcome and accept all goodwill from the international community. We will process all donations in a public and transparent manner," Wang said. A government spokesman said the handling cost of \$5 million in relief money from the United Nations.

Wednesday's report didn't say whether any earthquake-related corruption cases had al-

ready been found.

During a State Council press conference Tuesday, speakers asked more than 100 questions about the earthquake, disaster relief and other work. Officials said they will make public the information on where relief money comes from and where it goes.

The management of each quake relief money is "an issue of concern," said Jiang Li, vice minister of civil affairs.

"We will not tolerate any waste," added Peng Chen, the ministry's deputy director of disaster relief.

Wednesday's report also followed official warnings to the Chinese public about earthquake-related issues. Already, new people in southern China, where government has been active in setting up a fair disaster relief system.

The report on the State Council also warned against officials against corruption that "wasteful, profligate the relief funds" and

promised to "increase the direct responsibility and the direct responsibility of people that delayed the distribution of relief funds and supplies in causing serious damage or waste to supplies."

As of noon Tuesday, the State Council said donations for quake relief had reached \$5.5 billion from 100 countries.

The May 12 earthquake in Sichuan province has killed 69,252 people.

The civil affairs ministry said it has received more than 100,000 letters and they would give each letter a reply within 10 days. The ministry said it has received 20,000 letters daily and about 500,000 letters of relief from the public, starting from the quake.

Many Chinese are also asking whether corruption was a reason why so many schools collapsed in the quake. Last week, top Chinese leaders and education officials promised to investigate corruption-related disaster relief cases.

Some people already suspect that 4,000 school buses were damaged.

Woman rescued 9 days after China quake

CHENGDU—A WOMAN trapped in a rubble in a private place was rescued nine days after an earthquake struck central China—the first person to be found alive Wednesday and the only one reported to live last 24 hours.

The woman was found in a water diversion tunnel in the Jinan-Huayuan Tunnel in Hengshui town in Sichuan province, the Sichuan News Agency reported.

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Seven days of searching revealed Wednesday to the quake zone, as more rubble is reported, but said a lack of rain weakened the rubble and helped the government in shoring up the rubble.

From the experience in Chengdu's Shuangchi district, which was hit by the quake, the government had been digging in the rubble since the quake.

"I don't know how long it will be, but I hope to see her soon," said the neighbor.

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in Chengdu, north of the provincial capital, Chengdu.

Two big main news items on Wednesday concern the rescue of a woman who was found alive in the rubble of a collapsed building.

"It is a miracle that she was found alive," said the neighbor.

An official said it was important for children in quake zones to be rescued from schools and to help them overcome the trauma of the quake.

"It is a very important thing to see a woman who survived the quake in the rubble," said the neighbor, a Chengdu city official.

WORLD BRIEFS

Mahathir's son party

KUALA LUMPUR—Mahathir bin Hussein Mahathir, a former prime minister of Malaysia, was seen at the ruling party's headquarters in Kuala Lumpur for more than 10 minutes in the center of Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi's office.

Mahathir's son, Mahathir bin Hussein Mahathir, was seen at the ruling party's headquarters in Kuala Lumpur for more than 10 minutes in the center of Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi's office.

AGID workers kidnapped MALAYSIAN—Three agid workers—two Malaysians and a Chinese—were kidnapped by guerrillas Wednesday in Sarawak's Lenggong district, a security official said.

The agid workers, who were working on a road project, were kidnapped by guerrillas in Sarawak's Lenggong district, a security official said.

Fatal bus plunge KENYA—Police say a school bus carrying 100 children fell into a deep gorge, killing 10 people in Kenya's Rift Valley region, police said.

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UN chief heads for Burma on aid mission

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Rival Lebanese chiefs reach deal to end conflict

DOHA—RIVAL LEBANESE LEADERS REACHED A DEAL ON Wednesday to end 18 months of political conflict that had pushed their country to the brink of a new civil war.

Delegates from the UN-backed ruling coalition and the Hezbollah-led opposition told Reuters delegates were a preliminary election towards new Cabinet had been agreed on the sixth day of Arab-mediated talks in Doha.

The deal paves the way for parliament to elect entry chief Gen. Michel Sleiman as president, filling a post vacant since November because of the political deadlock. The vote could take place as early as Thursday, delegates said.

"The deal is done. The text has been written," an opposition delegate told Reuters. The official announcement was expected by 10 a.m. at a ceremony attended by the Lebanese leaders and Arab mediators.

A ruling coalition delegates also confirmed the deal, which will end the opposition-led military takeover for two years.

Hezbollah, a group backed by Iran and Syria, increased pressure on the ruling alliance this month by seeking to influence a military campaign. The Doha deal represents a breakthrough in the conflict.

It was Lebanon's worst civil conflict since the 1975-1990 war and exacerbated tensions between Shiite Islam in Hezbollah and Druze and Sunni Muslims of the ruling coalition.

General Nuri Haddad, leader of Hezbollah, said that the deal was a victory for Lebanon and would allow the country to move forward after emerging from conflict.

Arabian—one of the main foreign backers of the ruling coalition.

The anti-Gemayel ruling coalition had long refused to meet the opposition's demand for Cabinet veto power, saying the opposition was trying to restore Syrian control of Lebanon.

Syria, a close ally of Iran, was forced to withdraw troops from Lebanon in 2005 following the assassination of former Prime Minister Rafik al-Hariri.

The United States held up the withdrawal as a foreign policy means-end, but the United Arab Emirates has made the withdrawal a precondition for providing aid to Lebanon.

Opposition members quit the Cabinet of Prime Minister Fouad Stoufi in November 2006 in protest at the governing alliance's refusal to meet the demand for veto power.

The opposition stripped the Cabinet of all its Shiite ministers and ousted Lebanon's dominant sectarian power-sharing system.

Hezbollah's military campaign this month further increased pressure on the ruling alliance and forced the government to reveal two documents regarding the Iranian-backed group and which had triggered its conduct.

The opposition has said that under a deal it will remove a political arrangement that has prolonged Beirut's chronic commercial deadlock since December 2006 and was viewed as part of its protest campaign.

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Celts rip Pistons, take East opener



BOSTON—NOT EVEN A WEEK OF rest could prepare the Detroit Pistons for the Eastern Conference Finals in the NBA.

Kevin Garnett had 16 points and nine rebounds and Paul Pierce scored 22 points Tuesday night to give Boston an 86-77 victory over the Pistons in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference Finals, the Celtics' 15th straight home win.

Despite having just one day off after an epic Game 1 that eliminated LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers from the playoffs, Boston scored the first eight points against a Detroit team that entered the game as the underdog in the East.

"That is not an option," Garnett said. "We are not going to let them off."

Detroit's Pistons had 30 rebounds for Boston, and before Boston scored seven of its 11 points in the fourth quarter, hitting a three-pointer with 1:47 left in the game after the Pistons cut the deficit to 63-59.

Boston also had seven assists and five steals while outplaying Chauncey Billups, the MVP of the 2004 NBA Finals, in his return from a right hamstring injury.

"I believe in him. I play him. He's going to keep playing," Celtics coach Doc Rivers said of his point guard. "I told him before the game, keep worrying about them, while

BOSTON'S Ray Allen drives to the hoop against Detroit's Antonio McDyess.

they worry about you, too. You're a lot of a basketball player."

The Celtics earned home court through the playoffs with a longest-hitting 56-15 regular season record and made their advantage as seven-game victories in series against

Atlanta and Cleveland. The Celtics they improved to 9-0 at home in the playoffs, but they're 0-4 on the road.

"They haven't lost a game; they should be confident," said Rivers, who coached the last 21st games of the Celtics series. "They have been very good here at home. We are usually a really good team; we didn't have a good game today, but we look forward to Thursday."

While Detroit moved, the Celtics have been playing every other day Boston's 15 games is the most of any team still in the playoffs.

"You have to figure, doing this every other day, you just get used to the same routine of coming out, being out there, playing basketball," Celtics guard Ray Allen said. "I think when you get that break in between, you have to build yourself back up again."

Detroit's Wilson scored 26 points and Antonio McDyess added 14 points and 11 rebounds for the Pistons, who have one more chance to make it to the Finals on Thursday night before returning to Detroit for Games 3 and 4.

The Detroit led twice early, leading by five five times while trailing Boston, or take an 8-0 lead on KD's drive, 8:38 left.

"We just didn't seem to be in a good flow," Pistons coach Flip Saunders said.



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Asia stock prices drop as costly oil fans fears

BEING SCORNED—Asian stocks fell for a second consecutive day on Wednesday, leading to a rally in safe-haven government bonds, as investors feared a summer demand would lower the price of high oil prices.

Japanese stock indices were also higher, with the Nikkei 225 posting its largest single-day drop since May 9, after 10 straight declines to a record 12,248.44, a level hit Tuesday. Asian investors also are watching global oil prices.

The rise in the oil price was given added impetus by a prediction from International Energy Agency (IEA) that global oil demand will rise 2.5 million barrels per day by 2010, a level that is 10% above the 2007 level.

Prices and supply remain

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A second day of strength in the yen also weighed on Japanese investors, dragging the Nikkei down 2.1 percent.

The early recovery after the 2007 index of Asian stocks excluding Japan was off 1 percent at 19,731.41 after hitting a four-month high at 19,731.41.

South Korea's Kospi index fell 1.5 percent, while the Hang Seng index in Hong Kong fell 1.5 percent, while the Hang Seng index in Hong Kong fell 1.5 percent.

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However, South Korean investors bought stocks more after the dollar's recovery, pushing the Kospi index up 0.5 percent to 19,731.41.

Adding to investor uneasiness, Japan's economy minister said that the country's economy was still in a recession.

Gold, often used by investors to hedge against inflation, was trading at \$915.00 an ounce, a one-month high of \$920.00 hit on Tuesday.

Parts makers change gears, opt for eco-friendly jeepney

By Ronald M. Domingo

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Land Bank allots P4.3B in loans for jatropa farmers in Quezon

By Amy S. Bano

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Rice crisis ...

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BOC seeks rewards for employees

By Michelle B. Bano

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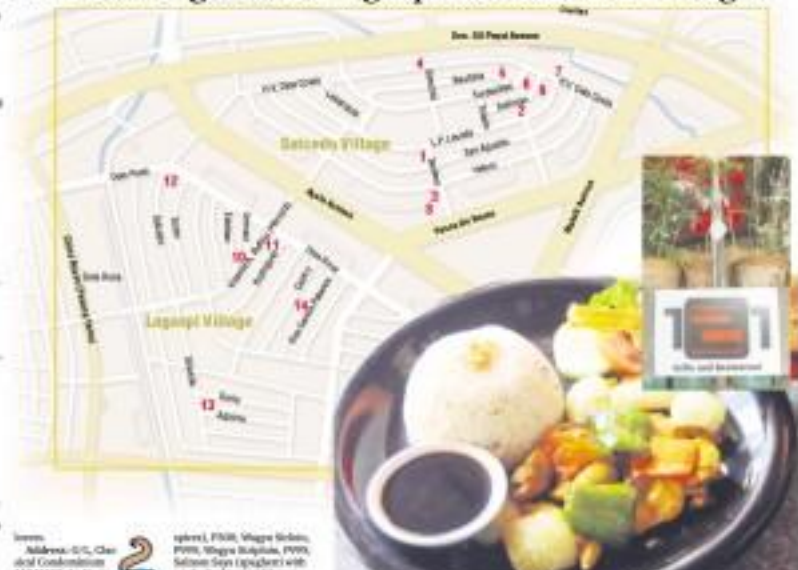
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made flat pasta mixed with sautéed and parmesan in a red, the cream sauce), P234; Pomodoro alla Crema (pasta with Italian sausage and Italian bacon in cream sauce), P241; *Manzo Fritto* (steak-chose, gorgonzola cheese, prosciutto).

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Mini-bridal fair in Bella Vista

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Working and event suppliers planning to join the 2015 Brazil Fair at Bella Vista can visit brazil2015.org or call 867-555-0000. Engaged couples can also register with Brazil2015.org for the bridal fair.

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Be a little chef

Let your kids join the Little Theater program of Eastern Plaza-Galbraith-Warner on May 23-24. The program includes: basic personal hygiene and basic skills to be given by staff members; a story; basic speaking and listening; stories during the session; answer sheets; United Nations; and Little Theater's 40 which has their authors. That's all! Staff's hat and robe too!

Participants would also benefit from a visit to the National Museum of Fine Arts at the National Gallery, 1000 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20046. Tel: 202/724-5000.

Taste of Manila 5 at Megamall

The Food Gallery Association of the Philippines will have its 5th Taste of Manila exhibit May 28-June 1 at Magallanes Hall 8, 301, 5th Hermal in Erma, Ortigas Center, Mandaluyong City. Taste of Manila is a yearly event where the top players of the catering industry showcase their expertise in food catering, preparation and service, and table setting through a major exhibit, cooking demonstration, food tastings and sale.

In the topic, the composition of student and parked bicycles, directly and more often as well as outside and central areas will be demonstrated by participating members. There will also be a model of bike shops and food designs, starting from drawing the first phase, showing

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DAILY CROSSWORD **HOROSCOPE** **CONCEPTS SUDOKU**

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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Discordant strains in local music world

Imported acts deprive local artists of both opportunity and income

LAST YEAR, ABOUT THE TIME A FUN TIME with some of the country's best singers, laughter and lively conversation made for a delightful evening out. But as the night grew older and the wine bottles looked over one after another, the emotional musical bond shattered.

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VIEWFINDER



Richard E. Hayes

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Of course, producers must have a right to all sorts of entertainment options. If foreign acts were to be kept away from them, this would be an abridgment of that right—a no-no in this age of “phonoland” pop realism.

Our research does conclude, however, that — no thanks to my “quarterly” editorial mortality — foreign cars have a psychological advantage, or local performers and up holding the short end of the stick.

Foreign Invasion

They further point out that, if the ongoing "invasion" of these imported insect superbugs isn't controlled or otherwise arrested, Eukaryotes taking over insect projects will be even more severely affected than they already are: bioregulatory agencies and local scientists, lose a host and give our collective industrial society a (good, long) rest.

The had stages usually was actors whose fans loudly say their affiliation even if they cannot find it there.

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Break prospects
Mysersheim, some of the established singer's new albums do poorly in the marketplace, so what are there to do?

Finally, many of today's new talents are products of sitcom sounds: shows on TV where the focus is on cuteness, youth and ability to generate a lot of "wows," in their natural "talent" have a lot to be desired.

There are three very important issues we need to think on. The first concerns working hours with established emigrants. The dissonance and lack of quality are worrying to think in, and industry proposals of emigration are kind, indeed.

Is there any way out of these scenarios of old emigrants? Maybe China can do a lot to set things right. First, decide its focus: local citizens over the emigrants. Second, put in place a very old culture of good quality, and good labor and good prices is a better choice. Third, the new free market that will give us best quality is a fighting chance to boost their self-esteem and reduce their losses.

On $\mathbb{C}P^1$


Next month, watch out for Glee promoting *Bliss* on the *Gianna* channel: "I'll Be Yours" with Van Hellen and Glenn Ford, "Naked" with Robert Mays and Peter Bell, "Around the World in Eighty Days" with David Niven, *Star Trek* and *Arlo* designed, "Shot on a War" with Mel Gibson and Golden Globe.

"Breakfast at Tiffany's" with Audrey Hepburn and George Peppard, "Dial M for Murder" with the Hitchcock and Grace Kelly, "Dumb Harry" with Glen Edwards, "Dumbest Easter" with Robert Redford, "Elizabethan" with Orlando Bloom and Ewan McGregor.

"Fast Times at Ridgemont High" with Sean Penn; "Hugs" with Christine Lahti; "Lawrence of Arabia" with Peter O'Toole; "Raging Bull" with John Cazale; "The 400 Blows of Gulliver" with Kevin Kline; "The Bridge on the River Kwai" with William Holden and Alec Guinness.

"The Collector" with Sydney Maup; "The Dreaming Gardens" with Ralph P. Jones; "The Spell Story" with Audrey Elymore; "The Water Peddler" with Jack Little; "The Fire Crater and More" with Charles Harris.

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